

AHA OF MISSISSIPPI FUTURITY

PREAMBLE

The intention of this program is to welcome, encourage and include the participants. The goal is to become exhibitor friendly. The rules developed here are intended to insure fair treatment for all exhibitors and their horses. However, they are also designed to encourage everyone affected by the program to actively participate in the program.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

The Futurity Horses will be shown in halter as Three-Year-Olds and in performance as Four-Year-Olds. Classes will be held each year at the Golden Stirrup Classic. The classes are to be made up of Purebred and Half Arabian horses.

The Futurity is open to all owners and breeders of Purebred or Half Arabian Horses who are paid up members of AHA OF MS for the current year. In addition, however, the Futurity is limited to horses foaled of mares owned or leased by member of the club. Horses nominated and later sold are still eligible for the Futurity if the new owner becomes a member of AHAM and the proper fees are paid.

The Purebred horses, dams and foals must be registered by the Arabian Horse Registry; the Half Arabian Foals must be registered by AHA.

NOMINATION OF THE DAM

Nomination of the dam is necessary for all entries in the Futurity. To nominate a dam for the Futurity, the following requirements are to be met:

1. A fee of \$25.00 it to be paid (postmarked) on or before January 15 for the year in which the foal is born
2. No fees can be refunded if the mare nominated does not produce a foal or if the foal dies.

RENOMINATION OF THE FOAL

On or before January 15 of each succeeding year, each foal of a nominated mare is to be renominated paying a \$20.00 Renomination fee. This fee shall be split between the Halter Purse (75%) and the Performance Purse (25%) With the Purebred and the Half Arabian division being kept separate. IF a horse is not renominated, it can be reinstated by a payment of \$25.00 late fee for each year delinquent plus renomination fee for each year delinquent. The Performance year 100% of the renomination fee will be applied to the Performance Purse. The Performance Re-nomination fee shall be \$25.00 per horse.

To be eligible to show as a three-year-old in halter, all nomination fees and late fees (except show entry fee) must be paid in full by January 15 of the year that the horse becomes three years old.

To be eligible to show as a four year old in performance all nomination and late fees (except show entry fees) must be paid in full by January 15 of the year that the horse becomes four year old.

HALTER DIVISION

The Purebred funds received shall be applied to the Purebred Division and the Half Arabian funds received shall be applied to the Half Arabian Division.

To make a colt, filly, or gelding eligible to show in the Halter Division of the Futurity, the following requirements are to be met:

1. The colt, filly or gelding must be three years old and all nomination and late fees (except show entry fee) must be paid in full by January 15 of the year that the horses becomes three years old.
2. The show entry fee must be paid prior to the beginning of the show in which the Futurity Class is to be held. The entry fee shall be added to the purse for the class which the horse will be shown.
3. Colts, fillies and geldings will be shown separately at halter.
4. Prize money: At the time the deadline for renominations of weanling foals has passed, the entire halter purse shall be subdivided in three purses, one each for fillies, geldings, and stallions as they appear on said nomination. Thereafter, all renomination fees shall be placed in the appropriate purse for which the horse is eligible. However the Futurity treasurer is notified that a horse has been gelded, an adjustment shall be made in the appropriate purse to transfer funds to the gelding purse as if the horse has always been in the gelding class.

PRIZE MONEY PAYOUT

All of the money in each halter purse shall be distributed to the Top Four (4) horses actually shown and judged in the following manner:

1. If only one horse is shown, 100% goes to the winner.
2. If two horses are shown, 60% goes to the first place and 40% goes to the second place winner.
3. If three horses are shown, 50% goes to the first place, 30% goes to the second place and 20% goes to the third place.
4. If four or more horses are shown, 40% to the first place winner, 25% to the second place and 20% goes to the third place and 15% to the fourth place.

PERFORMANCE DIVISION

In both the Purebred division and the Half Arabian division the following performance classes shall be offered: Western Pleasure, Country English Pleasure and Hunter Pleasure.

The Purebred funds received shall be applied to the Purebred division and the Half Arabian funds received shall be applied to the Half Arabian division. All money in each division (Arabian & Half-Arabian) will be divided by the three (3) performance classes in each division.

To make the horse eligible to show in the Performance Division of the Futurity, the following requirements must be met:

1. The horse must be four years old and all re-nomination (Performance nomination fee \$25.00) and late fees (except show fees) must be paid in full by January 15 of the year that the horse becomes four years old, All performance classes will be shown and judged under current USEF rules for Junior Horse in each corresponding division. The entry fee for each performance class to be entered by the horse shall be paid prior to the beginning of the show in which the Futurity Classes are to be held.
2. Prize money: All of the performance futurity purses shall be allocated to the classes based on the number of horses entered and shown in each class and shall be awarded in the classes as Follows:
 - (a) One horse 100%
 - (b) Two Horses 60% first place, 40% second place
 - (c) Three Horses 50% first place, 30% second place,20% third place
 - (d) Four or more horses, 40% first place,25% second place,20% third place and 15% to the fourth place.

LIABILITY

No entry is liable for more than the amount paid in, but there can be no return of a payment made. The right is reserved to reject any entry, and to debar any entry from competition for failure to comply with the requirements for the futurity.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR SALES

It is the responsibility of the owner of a futurity nominee to notify the Futurity Chairperson of a change of address in writing. If a futurity nominee is sold, it becomes the responsibility of the new owner to inform the Futurity Treasurer in writing of the change of ownership and the new owner's address. In order to maintain eligibility the new owner shall keep up all renominations and late fees.

DISPUTES

A committee, made up of the Futurity Chairperson, and four members at large, at least 4 of the 5 members of the committee must have horses nominated to the futurity. The Committee shall be the final authority for all disputes.